

Miller Huggins' St. Louis Cardinals Have Chance for Flag LIVE SPORTS Edited By Louis Dougher

CARDINALS FIGHTING FOR FLAG, AND MAY BE WINNER IN OLD LEAGUE

Miller Huggins Whips Crew into Shape and St. Louis Now Dreams of Annexing Title on Diamond—Manager Declines to Predict Anything, But He's Confident.

By SID C. KEENER.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—In 1908 the Browns were running neck-and-neck with the Detroit Tigers, Chicago White Sox and Cleveland Naps in the race for the American League pennant. They journeyed through the West the first week in September, and it was up to them to triumph to win the championship. They failed and finished fourth.

And the Cardinals are on the same path, but instead of the West it's the East. It's the same goal, though—the pennant, and the same season ago. Usually at this time of the summer the Cardinals, led by Pat Donovan, Charley Nichols, John J. McCloskey and Rog Bresnahan, were struggling along at the bottom with the July conversation: "Wait until next year, then we'll have a winner."

Now the Cardinals are in the pennant fight. They have upset all baseball odds; they have turned the biggest sensation in the history of the National League—a tall order in 1913 and a pennant factor in 1914.

Just for a bit of past events. In 1913 the Giants had a rival in the Phillies—the only club in the league which was regarded as being close to the Giants. Still, here is the standing a year ago today:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Giants	61	26	.701
Phillies	50	33	.603

That gave McGraw an advantage of nine full games over Dooin. And today he has a lead of only a few games over the Cardinals and even fewer over the Chicago Cubs.

The late start, having Art Butler tossed away game after game, put the Cardinals behind in the race. Then came a clever shift by Miller Huggins in placing Jack Miller at short. And with Miller at short and the present makeup of the Cardinals we believe Huggins' third players are strengthened at least 25 per cent.

From now to the finish it is this question: Which team can stand the pace to the finish? The Cardinals have the first call in this respect, because for three successive campaigns they have won the attack of the enemy; they have delivered the blow, and they have won the prize. It is not a new thing, but it is a new thing for the Cardinals. They have won the prize, and they have won the prize. It is not a new thing, but it is a new thing for the Cardinals. They have won the prize, and they have won the prize.

Manager Huggins is a careful manager on and off the field. He never allows himself to be lulled by a victory. He would be satisfied if he finished seventh, one notch above 1913, but claimed: "I have a fighting ball club, one that has a chance for the pennant, and we'll never quit."

It is that feeling which is going to make the Cardinals a dangerous force throughout the East. They feel that there isn't a club which outclasses them. In other words, they deliver that first punch which has won many a championship in the prize ring.

But Huggins is not predicting a jump into first place on this journey. "I believe we can gain a couple of games on the Giants," said Huggins. "We won ten out of fifteen the last time we visited the East, and we won twelve out of sixteen the first time. We had our slump early in the season, and we're not going to give up now. If we can come home with a couple of games out of first place, look out for us in the final dash."

The most enthusiastic member of the

Big League Biffers of a Day.

	AB.	H.	TB.	PCT.
Speaker, Red Sox	3	3	5	1.000
Donlin, Giants...	1	1	1	1.000
Russell, W. Sox...	1	1	1	1.000
Miller, Reds.....	1	1	1	1.000
Dalton, Robins.....	1	1	1	1.000
Hess, Braves.....	1	1	1	1.000
Connolly, Braves...	1	1	1	1.000
Beck, Cards.....	5	4	7	.800
Magee, Phils.....	4	3	7	.750
Mullen, Yankees...	4	3	3	.750
Burns, Giants.....	4	3	3	.750
Riggert, Cards....	4	3	3	.750

party is Jack Miller. Here's the player, in our opinion, who has made the 1914 Cardinals. While Jack isn't regarded as Ty Cobb, a Joe Jackson, a Nap Lajoie, a Walt Johnson, a Chris Mathewson and stars of that type, we believe that Jack is the most valuable player in the National League today.

Miller is the sort of player who wants to win and win every day. He's full of fight; he has put that same spirit into the team; he has every member of the team right behind him, and Jack Miller will play unless they force him to trot around the field on crutches.

ROBINS USE FIVE PITCHERS; REDS WIN

Cincinnati's Ability to Get Bases on Balls Gives Enough Runs for Victory.

BROOKLYN, July 28.—By waiting out the Brooklyn twirlers, the Cincinnati Reds were able to win yesterday's game by 6 to 5. Rain started falling in Brooklyn's half of the eighth, after Reulbach, who had pitched the first seven innings, was relieved by the pitcher at the beginning of this inning, had shut out the visitors. One Brooklyn man had fanned.

Reulbach, whose name does not figure in the box score, because the game reverted to seven innings, was the fifth Brooklyn pitcher sent in. Brown and Ensmann had each passed four men in a row in a single inning. Brown in the first and Ensmann in the third. Score:

Cincinnati	105	000	2	—	5	8
Brooklyn	200	003	0	—	5	1

Batteries: Benton, Ames, and Clark; Brown, Ensmann, Altchison, Ragan, and McCarty, Fischer.

Halpin Will Manage Yankee Olympic Team

NEW YORK, July 28.—Matthew P. Halpin, of the New York Athletic Club, has again been honored with the management of an American Olympic team, having been named to lead the Yankee delegation in the 1916 Olympics. This action was decided upon at a meeting of the executive committee of the American Olympic committee, over which Col. Robert M. Thompson presided.

THE IDEAL CIGAR LIGHTER—THE WORKINGMAN'S FRIEND



GO TO BALLGROUNDS AND STAND NEAR FENCE (A) - DURING GAME, BALL (B) IS KNOCKED OVER FENCE AND HITS DOG (C) PUSHING HIM TO GROUND - STRING (D), TIED TO DOG'S TAIL, PULLS CORK (E) FROM CHAMPAGNE BOTTLE (F) - SOUND OF WINE BEING OPENED CAUSES WAITER (G) TO EXPECT BIG TIP AND HE EXTENDS RIGHT HAND IN RECEPTIVE POSITION - IT STARTS TO RAIN - RAIN FALLS IN WAITER'S HAND AND RUNS IN STEADY STREAM INTO PIPE (H) - WATER FINALLY DROPS ON BLADE OF GRASS (I) - GRASS GROWS UNTIL IT TICKLES SOFT-SHELL CRAB (J) UNDER THE CHIN, MAKING HIM LAUGH - HE FALLS TO PLATFORM (L), MOVING SPRING (M) DOWNWARD AND PULLING STRING (N) WHICH OPENS BOX (O) AND RELEASES FIREFLY (P) - FIREFLY, THINKING PICTURE OF CANDID (Q) IS REAL THING, GETS JEALOUS AND SPRINGS UPON IT, PASSING CIGAR (R) AND GIVING IT REQUIRED LIGHT.

EASTERN CHAMPION OF POTOMAC LEAGUE

Earn This Distinction by Administering 2 to 0 Shutout to Fairlawns.

Another amateur league championship is today known to the fans, as a result of a shut-out administered to the Fairlawns, of the Potomac League, by the Easterns; score, 2 to 0. Playing a brilliant game behind "Meris" Mitchell, Eastern considers itself lucky to have sent over its two tallies in the fifth inning, thereby clinching the Potomac League championship for itself. As matters now stand, Fairlawns will finish a comfortable runner-up.

But four bingles were garnered off the offerings of Mitchell, who is said to have had his greatest day on the mound this season. This estimate may be slightly exaggerated because of the importance of the contest. On the other hand, Verstein did not have a poor reign on the hill at all. He permitted but five safeties, but his support was hardly fast as that given Mitchell. Verstein's worst trouble was the issuing of bases on balls, seven being registered against his name in the box score.

Methodist was no kind of an opponent for the Episcopalians when those two teams clashed yesterday. The latter scored an 18 to 0 shut-out when the Methodists were held to three safeties by Pitchers Sweetney and Dreik. In the meantime, the Episcopalians had got exactly eighteen hits, many of them going for extra bases.

Holy Name doubled up the score on St. Paul by figures of 4 to 2, in a game which was tied up until the beginning of the ninth. In the last session, Holy Name put over a pair of tallies, which sent them two runs to the good and gave them the verdict. Naps' twirling, as usual, was good, and he was working against another star, K. Cox.

Probably no larger score has been rolled up by any amateur club this season than that amassed by the Treasury nine when it won from the Interstate outfit by 24 to 4. The decisive victory is the result of twenty hits connected for by the Treasury team, against seven made by the losers.

Favorites fell down miserably when they clashed with the Waverlys, the latter getting the decision by 8 to 2. Nolan and Bussius were touched for thirteen bingles. Cantwell struck out thirteen batters.

Fort Washington got a narrow advantage over Rex A. C. Score, 2 to 1. But four hits were seen throughout the nine innings of play. The Soldiers got three of these. Clements and Dunn kept the battle largely around themselves.

Catholic Champions After Game in Washington

The St. John's Athletic Association of Baltimore, Catholic champions of the South, in 1913-14, would like to book a game for Saturday, August 1, to be played in Washington. The St. John's boys are composed mostly of all college players, the White Sox having signed their star pitcher, J. Anderson.

The St. John's boys will only consider teams making good offers. Among the other boys with the team is Hagerity, and O'Connor from Georgetown. Jim Anderson, Schurck, Ledger, and Carter from Loyola, Brooks from Yale, Evans, Doyle, S. Hagerity, and McGraw from University of Maryland, and Mueller, of Notre Dame. For games address James J. Hagerity, of freight claims office, Baltimore and Ohio railroad, Baltimore, Md.

Reds Still Fighting For Chief Johnson

PITTSBURGH, July 28.—Lawyers representing the Cincinnati National League baseball club yesterday sought an injunction restraining Pitcher George Johnson from playing in the present series here between the Kansas City and local Federal League teams. Johnson recently jumped from the Cincinnati club to the Kansas City team.

He was scheduled to pitch yesterday, but Federal League counsel assured Judge Swearingen that Johnson would not play again until Thursday next, the day set for the hearing on the injunction.

Bingles And Bunts

By GRANTLAND RICE.

Old landmarks in baseball have either passed or at least are passing. Browns and Cardinals are no longer in the rut. The Braves, in Boston, have risen from last place to the first division. Frank Chance is fighting to keep out of the cellar in place of battling to reach the top. Pittsburgh, from being a pennant winner or a pennant contender for fourteen years, has gone to waste at the bottom of the field. The players, in place of being in the iron grip of the owners, now have the whip hand for the first time in history. They have defied the commission openly and have won their fight.

The Old Order.

And yet the old order hasn't entirely passed. The Mackmen are still clubbing their way to another flag, and in addition to this, the Giants and Cubs are still in battle for the National League flag. The fact that this landmark still remains is the strangest thing of all. Back in 1905, under Frank Selee, the Cubs finished second to the Giants and gave them their hardest fight.

That was nine years ago, and since that season the old club machine has been twisted and hammered out of shape. With one exception the old guard has been wiped out. Its winning leader has passed on, and its greatest field lieutenant, Evers, was shifted to another club. If Murphy had used dynamite or concussion he couldn't have labored harder to compose an utter wreck.

Still There.

And yet, in spite of all that, with Pittsburgh unable to hold the long pace started fourteen years ago, the Cub machine is still the one giving battle to the Giants and disputing at every step McGraw's march to another banner. And the queerest part of it all is that the Cubs are no longer a machine. Against McGraw they are contending with one of the greatest machine builders of the game. The Giants are a compact organization, not the loosest and most haphazard machine that works together. They are playing the game as it suits them, and yet, with only one star on the left, are winning and holding their place around the top. According to stories that come to us on the road, they permit Hank to sit on the bench and watch them work, but beyond this pay little attention to his presence. This may be unfair to O'Day, but at least it is the game's gossip. And, in spite of this, there is still enough life left in the Cub array to travel at a faster clip than the Cubs have shown since 1910.

The Case of Tommy Leach.

The case of Tommy Leach is another weird turn of the game. Leach was carded as being through several years ago by Pittsburgh. No one figured that he had over one good year left—and that a year of only average worth. But Leach, after sixteen seasons in the game, is still starring on a club in the fight while his old home town, Pittsburgh, is groveling in the dust a dozen leagues behind. Wagner and Lajoie have lasted, but they are both athletes of wonderful build, and both were kept at their old infield jobs. Leach is a diminutive specimen compared to either and he was shifted from third to the outfield, moved to a new place where in the shift he has more than held the pace.

Pittsburgh's Case.

Barney Dreyfuss has charged several of his athletes with loafing and quitting. To a certain extent he may be right. There must be some reason for a club with as much good-looking material as Pittsburgh floundering down in the depths.

But it probably isn't so much a matter of intentional loafing as it is an utter lack of aggressiveness and fighting courage. Pittsburgh hasn't had a fighting machine for several years. The club is the most easily discouraged one in baseball, and for years has been a club that broke quickly under any heavy charge. Time and again the Giants have gone to Pittsburgh with a big league at stake and have left with the Pirates demoralized and in rout. After that April and May start with the material at hand it is hard to blame

Madden Sells Vanitie To English Parties

John E. Madden has sold his colt Vanitie, named for the Cochran yacht, now trying for a place as the America's Cup defender, to English parties, and the colt has been shipped from Saratoga to Liverpool. Vanitie is a rosy bred, being by Ogden out of Vell. He won his only start in this country, an overnight event at Aqueduct. Vanitie was heavily engaged in stakes to be run at Saratoga, and was looked on by many as a probable winner of the Futurity, as none of James Butler's youngsters are eligible for that rich stake. The price received for Vanitie is not known, but is said to be the highest paid for a two-year-old in this country in several years.

Ayers Comes Back.

Doc Ayers pitched great ball Sunday, and then came right back yesterday with another gift-backed performance. The Richmond hurler is one of the best newcomers in the league this season.

Investigates Charges Of Umpire's Dishonesty

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28.—Charges that umpires of the Pacific Coast League have been betting on the games will be rigidly investigated by Allen T. Baum, president of the league. A number of players have been summoned to testify at an inquiry resulting from accusations following the fight at Sacramento yesterday between "Red" Held, an umpire, and "Hal" Magert, an outfielder.

"I am going to stop indiscriminate assaults upon umpires and attacks upon their honesty by players," said A. T. Baum, president of the league. "Hereafter if any player accuses an umpire of dishonesty, he will be given a chance to prove his charge."

Joe Didn't Come Back.

Joe Engel was wild and unwhittable Sunday and soft as mush yesterday. If the kid is worked often enough he'll be round to, but that's the only way to discover his class.

MINCE PIE

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.
By "BUGS" BAER.

Georges Carpentier won the decision over Kid Jackson in France on a foul. Jackson was disqualified for being present.

Unlike Gunboat Smith, George McBride will never be disqualified for hitting low. Popping 'em up is George's specialty.

Charlie Brickley has a younger brother who is said to be almost as good a kicker as Charlie. That companion means nothing to us. How does he compare to Johnny Evers?

Like the Delaware peach crop, Connie Mack's pitching staff is blighted every spring. Like the Delaware peach crop, we pay good money for them in the fall.

RABID RUDOLPH SAYS

"When it takes thirteen innings for us to beat the Browns, it shows that the umpires are getting much stronger on the defense."

Attacked by the Army Worm. Naps' pennant chances. Federal League attendance. Larry's hitting average. Baseball b's patience. Walter Johnson's winning streak. Chautauqua circuit.

Just our tough luck. It's too hot for us to claim our pennant possibilities are frostbitten.

John Heydler Laughs At Prof. Wrench's Dope

NEW YORK, July 28.—Secretary John Heydler, of the National League, had a good laugh today. It came when he was shown a dispatch stating that Prof. Jesse E. Wrench, teacher of history at the University of Missouri, predicted that the Government would own all the baseball leagues in the United States in the next twenty-five years. "That's all a dream," said Mr. Heydler when he recovered his voice. "Before we talk about Government ownership of our baseball and other sports it might be just as well to wait and see what success the Government has with ownership of railroads and a few other things. I understand the weather down in Missouri has been frightfully hot the last week or so. And, besides, the silly season is not at its height, so we are liable to hear all kinds of foolish talk these days."

TODAY'S SPORTORIAL

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Unless something happens to the Federal League mighty soon, organized baseball is going to face a ticklish situation when the drafting season comes around. This time it is the minor leaguer who stands to lose the most. When the minor leagues fail their big brothers, they will baseball rapidly shoot the chutes. The majors simply must get the players. But see what is happening.

Larrie Kirby, once a rookie pitcher with the Giants, is the clotting demon of the Mobile Southern Association team. The Boston Braves offer to buy him, if Mobile will let him go at once. Kirby's absence means possible loss of the pennant for Mobile, so the offer is turned down. What happens? Why, Kirby is given a flattering offer by the outlaws and he jumps. Mobile loses him right in the middle of a hot pennant race, gets nothing for him at all, and a major-league team misses a possible star.

Here's your outlook for the big leaguers and the minor leaguers: As soon as the draft lists are announced, the outlaws will know where the best men are in the bushes. Under present-day baseball law, a drafted player is allowed only his minor league salary plus 25 per cent. This arrangement lasts for forty-five days, when new terms must be submitted to the player and a new contract signed.

The Federal Leaguers are almost certain to grab off many ripe bushers this fall by offering them more than the majors are allowed to pay. The outlaws will be paying nothing for these players and can thus afford to offer them higher salaries. The minor leaguers will suffer because they will lose their players and also lose the price they would bring from the majors. The longer the Federalists stay in the field, the worse the situation becomes for both majors and minors.

At first the minor leaguers will suffer, both in playing strength and purse. But, eventually, the big leaguers will suffer through failure to fill the gaps in their ranks. It is a necessity to keep the supply of new players always coming up from the bushes. But the Federal League, if it can endure the tussle, will get the players for less money. In this way the Federal League in the short time will become naturally faster than either big league now in the field.

The first pinch comes in about a month when the drafting begins. Jack Dunn, abandoned by organized baseball, has protected himself by selling all his salable players. Both the International and the Virginia Leagues refused to assist Dunn in transferring his club to Richmond, so "Sneaky Jack" proceeded to get his money back in another way. But in a short time more clubs in the minors will be in the same boat Dunn found himself in when he tried to sell his franchise to Richmond. It'll be always money going out and nothing coming in.

According to those "in the know," organized baseball men are going to make strenuous efforts to shatter the outlaws this fall and winter coming. They will try to buy them off. If they succeed, the whole situation will naturally clear itself. If they fail, no one now can tell what will happen. Jumping from the Federal League is the style of the day.

Suppose the Feds endure the winter intact and are ready for another opening in 1915. Suppose they have by that time gobbled many more big stars and others are jumping from day to day. How long will the public hold out for the price they would bring from the majors? The same thing holds true in the case of the price they would bring from the majors. The long run. The public can turn to their beaches, tennis, the woods, truck gardens, and any number of other substitutes. But the magnates must stand idly by and look at nothing coming in and everything going out.



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